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Responsive to the Office Action dated March 19, 2008, Applicants respond as follows:

The Examiner has restricted the claimed invention as follows:

Group I - Claims 1 and 6.

Group II - Claims 1, 2, 7, 8, 10 and 12.

Group III - Claims 1, 3, 9, 11 and 13.

Group IV - Claims 1, 4, 5, 14 and 15.

All of the above groups are drawn to a composition.

Applicants elect Group III **with traverse**.

The Examiner has also required an election of species for each of the organopolysiloxane component, the cationic surfactant component, and the lubricant component.

Applicants elect **with traverse**:

the organopolysiloxane of Examples 1 and 5, i.e., known as FZ-3789, which is exemplified by the organopolysiloxane of formula (10), as the organopolysiloxane component,

stearyl trimethylammonium chloride, as the cationic surfactant component, and stearyl alcohol, as the lubricant component.

Claims 1-15 read on the elected species.